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PATENT

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In re application of: Kagi, Rene

Application No.: 09/973,225

Art Unit: 3677

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Title: PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR SEALING OR REDUCING HOLES, AND
CONNECTING HOLES WITH A TUBE END

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the Specification as follows:

Amend the Title by deleting therefrom the words "Process and".

(Nz) On Page 7 Line 7, change "he" to read --the--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the Claims as follows:

✓ Please cancel Claim 1, without prejudice.

Please amend Claim 2. as follows (clean copy):

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2. (Amended) A device for sealing a hole having a wall of surrounding material and a predetermined inside diameter, the device comprising at least one element with a disc shaped surface and generally uniform thickness, having a radially outer rim smaller than the diameter of the hole accepting the element, and having a cone or dome shape, with a